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MEMORANDUM

TO: Heads of Fire Departments

FROM: Stephen D. Coan
State Fire Marshal

DATE: June 1, 2008

SUBJECT: **Sprinkler Demonstration Trailer**

I am pleased to announce that the Department of Fire Services has available a combination SAFE/Sprinkler Demonstration Trailer. This trailer was obtained through a United States Fire Administration Fire Prevention Grant and our goal is to utilize this trailer to promote and educate citizens about the benefits of residential sprinklers. If your city/town is currently looking to adopt one or more of the MGL 148, 26 series of laws or require sprinklers through the use of the special permit provisions – this may be a great tool to inform and educate people prior to a town meeting.

At this time, we are going to limit the use of the trailer primarily for sprinkler demonstrations. If you are going to utilize the residential sprinkler demonstration portion of the trailer, at least one representative from your department must attend one of our training sessions. This representative must be the person controlling and operating the residential sprinkler demonstration trailer. In addition to the list of training dates found in this memo, it is our intent to run several additional training programs later in the summer or early fall.

DFS staff will deliver the trailer to a location you designate and will pick up the trailer at the end of your use. There will be no charge for the delivery and pick up of the trailer. If you are not able to have a member of your department trained and are still interested in using the trailer for a sprinkler demonstration, a contract for the use of the trailer and personnel to operate the trailer will be available through the Department of Fire Services. The cost will be \$300 to any fire department that has not received training.

Again, at this time, if there is interest in the use of the sprinkler demonstration portion of the trailer, you can contact the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy Scheduling Department at 978-567-3205.

If you have any technical questions about residential sprinklers, please contact our Technical Services - Engineering Staff at 978-567-3376 or 978-567-3377. There is additional information regarding residential sprinklers on our website as well.

Scheduled Training Dates

Date of Training	MFA Class Number	Time of Training	Location of Training
June 17, 2008	200-000-S44 A	10:00 – 12:00	Milford Fire Dept. Headquarters 21 Birch Street Milford, MA
June 17, 2008	200-000-S44 B	13:00 – 15:00	Milford Fire Dept. Headquarters 21 Birch Street Milford, MA
June 26, 2008	200-000-S44 C	14:30 – 16:30	Springfield Fire Academy 100 Grochmal Ave Springfield, MA
June 26, 2008	200-000-S44 D	18:00 – 20:00	Springfield Fire Academy 100 Grochmal Ave Springfield, MA

If you are interested in a SAFE trailer for public education activities, please contact your district coordinator for scheduling and using the district's SAFE trailer. If the district trailer is not available, you may request the use of the DFS trailer by contacting the Fire Academy scheduling department. The use of the SAFE portion of the trailer is subject to availability and the following provision: a firefighter actively engaged in teaching public education, preferably a firefighter that has completed any public education programs sponsored by the Department of Fire Services.

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